

Leslie and Charlie's Bridge Schedule-Winter 2020

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Location: All classes at PUMC. (9908 South Glen Road, Potomac, MD 20854.)

Tuition: *All classes are at the drop-in rate of \$30 each or tickets can be purchased @ 6 for \$156.*

Credit Card Purchases: Online purchase of tickets @ 6 for \$156 is available at our website.

Format: By popular demand, all Winter classes will use our *Supervised Play* format: you play the contract you get to, then we discuss the best contract and how to play it.

Beginner Level:

Supervised Play Class for Advanced Beginners!! Thursdays 10—Noon. Taught by Leslie and Charlie. Learning to apply new knowledge (picking the right tool for the right hand) is a problem for every level student. We're going to take the lessons you've had in basic opening bids and responses, mix up the topics in random order so you can apply your knowledge without our help. Book with all deals available for \$10. *No handouts* for individual classes available. Eleven weeks, starts January 16 and ends March 26.



Intermediate Level:



Supervised Play Based on Audrey Grant's *Competitive Bidding.* Mondays 10AM—Noon. Taught by Leslie and Charlie. If you have happy opponents, you are not doing your job! Get into *their* auctions. Preempts, overcalls, takeout doubles and other competitive tools are reviewed. Book with all deals available for \$10 each. *No handouts* for individual classes available. Six weeks, starts January 13 and ends March 2 (no class Jan. 20 or Feb. 17).

Additional Supervised Play. Mondays 10AM—Noon. Four weeks, starts March 9 and ends March 30.

Supervised Play Based on Audrey Grant's *Opening the Bidding.* Mondays 7—9 PM. Taught by Charlie. This class focuses on opening in first, second, third and fourth seat; strong opening bids and obstructive opening bids (pre-empts). Book with all deals available for \$10. *No handouts* for individual classes available. Six weeks, starts January 13 and ends March 2 (no class Jan. 20 or Feb. 17). **Note Evening Time**

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Supervised Play Class for Intermediates!! Wednesdays 10 AM—Noon. Taught by Leslie and Charlie. Choosing the right tool at the right time is done through experience. These are hands using several topics you learned mostly during the recent Fall semester. There will be some overcalls, Stayman, competitive bidding, jump rebids, and even some slams. Book with all deals available for \$10. *No handouts* for individual classes available. Eleven weeks, starts January 15 and ends March 25.

Top Bridge Mistakes Your Partner Makes! *Supervised Play format.* Thursdays 10 AM—Noon. Taught by Leslie and Charlie. Topics: Weeks 1, 2 & 3 will be a mix of bidding, play and defense. Week 4: When NOT to Pull Trump; Week 5: Getting Rid of Losers; Week 6: How to Get More Than One Ruff; Week 7: How to Destroy Declarer's Dummy. Seven weeks, starts January 16 and ends February 27.

Additional Supervised Play. Thursdays 10 AM—Noon. Four weeks, starts March 5 and ends March 26.

**See Reverse for More Classes, Registration Information,
PUMC Address and Student Game Information.** 

**We know of at least two Winter classes that will sell out!
Register online NOW to guarantee your spot.**

Tell Your Friends! Absolute Beginner Bridge 1 starts Tuesday, April 7, 10AM-Noon.

Intermediate Level (Con't):

Polishing your Bridge, Part 3. Thursdays 7—9 PM. Supervised Play format. Taught by Charlie. This is one of our most popular classes and students are amazed at the amount of new information that they acquire. You do not have to have taken Parts 1 & 2 to enjoy this class, each chapter stands alone. Topics: Week 1: Are These Bids the End of the Auction?; Week 2: When NT Bids Show a Stopper and When They Don't; Week 3: When a NT Bid is or is NOT Balanced! Three weeks, starts January 16 and ends January 30. **Note Evening Time**

Play of the Hand Supervised Play. Thursdays 7—9 PM. Taught by Charlie. These are hands that review basic bidding and play concepts. This is the intermediate class that most of our students ask for! Book with all deals available for \$10. No handouts for individual classes available. Eight weeks, starts February 6 and ends March 26. **Note Evening Time**

Advanced Level:

Advanced Supervised Bidding, Play and Defense. Tuesdays 10 AM—Noon. Taught by Leslie and Charlie. Most of us don't know what we don't know! We have assembled an exciting assortment of deals each week that will pinpoint the gaps in your knowledge. Don't worry about missing any classes as each week stands alone. Twelve weeks, starts January 14 and ends March 31.

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Wednesday Afternoon Student Duplicate Game, Every Wednesday 12:30—3:00 PM at PUMC*.

Directed by Charlie Williams. A duplicate game for current students of Leslie, Charlie, or Isabelle.

Join in the fun while gaining experience in playing bridge. \$10; no reservation needed.

No Game 12/25 or 1/1/20.

Contact us at leslie.shafer@bridgeteacher.com or 240-670-7149 if you need a partner.

Our Winter Snow and Cancelled Class or Game Policy

If Montgomery County Schools are cancelled due to bad weather, we are closed. If Montgomery County Schools open late, we are on time. (If Montgomery County morning classes are cancelled but the evening activities are open, our evening classes will be held.)

If a scheduled class does not meet because of weather, the following week will cover the topic missed. All the other classes for that time slot will move forward one week and the final class(es) in the series will be cancelled.

Please remember this is supposed to be a fun activity. If you think the conditions where you live are too bad to travel, please err on the side of caution.

— *Leslie and Charlie*



*PUMC=Potomac United Methodist Church's Activity Center Building. The address is 9908 South Glen Rd., Potomac, MD 20854. It is at the intersection of Democracy Blvd. and Falls Rd., the entrance to the parking lot is on Falls Road. (Facing the building, park on the left side or in the center of the lot.)